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Sir:

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A concise explanation of the relevance of these items is given in the attached memorandum.

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Reference (38) discloses the receptor of the present invention, but it is published after the international filing date of the present application.